

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

"ACCESS ROAD"

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OVERVIEW

A properly operated and maintained access road is an asset to your farm. This access road was designed and installed as travel way on your farm. The performance life of this system can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. The following recommendations will help you in performing adequate operation and maintenance.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- Maintain the roadway surface in a good condition, which includes periodic grading or repair of the surface.
- Prevent surface ponding by grading to remove depressions.
- Limit livestock usage to periods that permit use without damage.
- If fences are installed, they shall be maintained to provide warning and/or prevent unauthorized human or livestock entry.
- Remove debris to prevent blockage of stream crossings, culverts or bridges.
- Eradicate or otherwise remove all rodents or burrowing animals. Immediately repair any damage caused by their activity.
- Immediately repair any vandalism, vehicular, or livestock damage to any earthfills, spillways, outlets or other appurtenances.
- All debris shall be removed from culvert entrance and outlet.
- Displace material due to erosion around the culvert shall be replaced with like material.

SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUR STRUCTURE		

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